

Searching for Alaska State Legislative Resources

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An Overview	"Alaska Legislature - Internet Research" - Brief descriptions of critical online resources.	AK State Legislature, Publication page at http://w3.legis.state.ak.us/pubs/pubs.php
A Comprehensive Resource	"Guide to Alaska Legislative History Materials" - produced by the Legislative Reference Library. Lists <i>all</i> points of access in print and online. Begins with Territorial government through present. Updated Dec. 2009.	AK State Legislature, Publication page at http://w3.legis.state.ak.us/pubs/pubs.php . Also available in print at various Juneau, Anchorage and Fairbanks libraries.
Bills, Current	"BASIS (Bill Action & Status Inquiry System)" - Searches retrieve information for the current Legislature, including bills, calendars, committee minutes, journal texts, and session laws.	AK State Legislature, Bill & Laws page at http://www.legis.state.ak.us/basis/start.asp
	"Infobases" - Another search portal for Legislative materials as well as Alaska Statutes and the Alaska Administrative Code. Search full text of bills and resolutions from 1983 - present.	Ak State Legislature, Infobases at http://www.legis.state.ak.us/basis/folio.asp
Bills, Historic	"BASIS (Bill Action & Status Inquiry System)" - Same search as the Current Bills, but you need to scroll down and select a Legislature from the <i>Archives</i> . Date range 1993 - 2010.	AK State Legislature, Bill & Laws page at http://www.legis.state.ak.us/basis/start.asp
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Hearings, Current	"BASIS (Bill Action & Status Inquiry System)" - Scroll down to the <i>Committees</i> section. Click on <i>Minutes and Audio</i> and then narrow search by House/Senate minutes, date range, committee and/or bill number.	AK State Legislature, Bill & Laws page at http://www.legis.state.ak.us/basis/start.asp
	"Infobases" - Another search portal for Legislative materials as well as Alaska Statutes and the Alaska Administrative Code. Search full text of Committee Hearings from 1982 - present.	Ak State Legislature, Infobases at http://www.legis.state.ak.us/basis/folio.asp
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Budgets, Guides	"Alaska Legislative Budget Handbook (AKA Swiss Army Knife)" - Comprehensive guide to the budget process. Published every other year. Thorough glossary in the back.	Legislative Finance Division, Publications page at http://www.legfin.state.ak.us/Publications/publications.php
	"The Alaska Citizen's Guide to the Budget" - Easy to read presentation on how the budget works and impacts Alaskans. Hyperlinks terms and processes.	The Institute of Social and Economic Research's guide at http://citizensguide.uaa.alaska.edu/
	"Layman's Guide to the Budget Process" - Absolute budget basics.	AK State Legislature, Publication page at http://w3.legis.state.ak.us/pubs/pubs.php
Budgets, Data	Legislative Finance Division - Portal to current and historical data back to 1986. Links to the Governor's requested budget, Legislator's budget, each agency's enacted operating budget, budget bills, Legislative Finance Reports and more.	Legislative Finance Division, Home page at http://www.legfin.state.ak.us/index.php
	Office of Management and Budget - Detailed information on the Governor's budget, archived budget information back to 2001 (proposed, amended and enacted), performance reports, Revenue Forecasts, budget terms glossary and more.	Office of Management and Budget, Home page at http://omb.alaska.gov/
	"Operating and Capital Budget Workbook" - Governor's proposed budget produced by the Office of Management and Budget.	Alaska State Library. Holdings: 1979 - current. Call number HJ2053 .A4A4
	"Overview of the Governor's Request" - Legislative Finance Division's analysis of the governor's proposed budget.	Alaska State Library. Holdings: 1992 - current. Call number HJ11 .A4Z95
	"Operating Budget, Long Form Budget" - Enacted budget data by agency.	Alaska State Library. Holdings: 1990 - current. Call number HJ 2053 .A4A4 FY__

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The Legislative Process	"Legislative Process in Alaska" - succinct description on how a bill becomes law.	AK State Legislature, Publication page at http://w3.legis.state.ak.us/pubs/pubs.php
	"How to Read a Bill History"	AK State Legislature, Publication page at http://w3.legis.state.ak.us/pubs/pubs.php
	"Legislative Process Presentation" - PowerPoint directed at secondary school students	AK State Legislature, Get Started page at http://w3.legis.state.ak.us/start/start.php
	"Classic 1970's Legislative Process Video" - Light hearted yet informative demonstrations. 19 min.	AK State Legislature, Get Started page at http://w3.legis.state.ak.us/start/start.php
Legislative Terms	"Abbreviations & Acronyms" - all the basics are listed here with links to more information	AK State Legislature, Publication page at http://w3.legis.state.ak.us/pubs/pubs.php
	"Glossary of Legislative Terms" - Excellent resource. References the state law or rule behind the term.	AK State Legislature, Publication page at http://w3.legis.state.ak.us/pubs/pubs.php
Contact Information	"Legislator Contact List" "Committees and Members List" "Legislators by District" "Legislative Affairs Agency Staff List"	AK State Legislature, Publication page at http://w3.legis.state.ak.us/pubs/pubs.php
	"How to use your Legislative Information Office" - The LIO is there for you! Describes their role in assisting Alaskans with the Legislative process. Lists all the offices and their contact information.	AK State Legislature, Publication page at http://w3.legis.state.ak.us/pubs/pubs.php
	Legislative Finance Division - To assist you with your budgetary questions.	Legislative Finance Division, Contact page at http://www.legfin.state.ak.us/AgencyInfo/analysts.php